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14 August 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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SUBJECT: Developments Concerning [redacted] Request for Assistance  
in Preparing a Briefing [redacted]

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1. Regarding the PB/NSC memorandum to D/NFAC explaining [redacted] request (see attached copy), [redacted] -one of D/NFAC's Assistants- told me this morning that drafting responsibility for the project had been given to [redacted] I called [redacted] and informed him of this decision and he said that he had already talked to D/NFAC about it. [redacted]

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2. [redacted] told me that, concerning that part of his request specifying that a high-ranking Intelligence Community official present the threat portion of the briefing, D/NFAC had indicated that he would not be free that day (27 August) and that he would check to see if the DCI or the DDCI would be. [redacted]

3. After conferring with the DCI at his home about a number of subjects, D/NFAC called in the afternoon to inform me that:

- The DCI had decided to give the threat portion of the briefing.

- He had already told [redacted] about this decision.

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D/NFAC further suggested that I contact [redacted] and work out the details with him. [redacted]

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4. When I checked with Jack, he said that he was under instructions to prepare by COB Friday, 22 August, a three-part briefing:

- Military Forces in Southeast Asia

- The Soviet Threat to Asia

- The Situation in Afghanistan and Southwest Asia.

He said that his office had prepared a two-hour briefing on Asia, complete with graphics, and that he intended to use it as the basis for the DCI's briefing. Jack also said that he would develop a full text version of the briefing and draft talking points as well. However, he said that work couldn't begin until Monday, 18 August, because the two-hour briefing is being given this week and the material will not be available until then. [redacted]

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EXT BYND 6 YRS BY [redacted]  
PERSON [redacted]

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5. I told Jack that his schedule seemed to be satisfactory, but that because [ ] was scheduled for 28 August, we might have to accelerate work somewhat, particularly on graphics. Jack indicated that this should be no problem and requested that we clarify whether briefing boards or page-size graphics were needed as the graphics for the two-hour briefing are boards. I said that we'd probably want page-size graphics but that I'd check with [ ] as to whether DoD planned to use boards or page-size graphics and confirm how we intended to proceed with the DCI. [ ]

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6. When I checked with [ ] he said that he didn't have specific details of how DoD expected to proceed. However, he added that we probably should proceed as if it were a normal briefing [ ] [ ] I also asked whether he had any questions that we could help him with, and he responded negatively. [ ]

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